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# SOVIETS PUSH CONSTRUCTION OF GERMAN MILITARY INSTALLATIONS

INSTALL DEMOLITION CHAMBERS ON BRIDGES, HIGHWAYS -- Berlin, Telegraf, 13 May 51

On 10 May 1951, Soviet combat engineer units started construction of demolition chambers on all important bridges, especially Autobahn bridges, in Soviet Zone Germany. Both sides of the Dresden-Chemnitz-Gera-Jena-Weimar-Erfurt-Eisenach, the Schleiz-Hermsdorf-Leipzig-Dessau-Berlin, and the Forst-Cottbus-Berlin autobahn highways are being provided with layers of explosives at intervals of 200 meters. Construction of demolition chambers on autobahn bridges is being carried out partly by workers of the East German Bauunion (Building Cooperative) under the supervision of Soviet combat engineers.

All bridges on which demolition mechanisms are being installed are guarded by the People's Police while work is in progress.

BUILD AIRFIELDS FOR SOVIET AIR FORCE -- Berlin, Telegraf, 29 Apr 51

Thousands of male and female workers are now employed in the expansion of the Finsterwalde, Buchwalde, Welzow and Brand military airfields into so-called main strong points for the Soviet Air Force.

The morale among the German employees and workers is very low. Day after day, the SSD (State Security Police) and the People's Police have been arresting saboteurs and spies. To make up for the resulting loss of manpower, workers are simply diverted from industrial plants to military building operations. Recently more than 100 workers of the Eintracht Mine were drafted for construction of military airfields.

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